

Dental Lifeline Network • South Carolina Annual Report



The Story

Herbert is a 70-year-old minister who lives with his wife in Summerville. Recently, his wife survived a stroke and he has become her full-time caretaker. He also suffers from diabetes and nutrition is important to maintain his overall health. His children live in the area and try to help care for their parents as much as they can. Unfortunately, Herbert also had poor oral health, was missing several teeth, and had not seen a dentist in several years.

His physician became concerned that his declining oral health put him at risk for medical complications. As a minister, he needed to speak to his

congregation, but sadly had difficulty speaking due to missing teeth. They survive on a small Social Security benefit and barely make ends meet. It seemed as though they would have nowhere to turn for the dental treatment he desperately needed.

How DDS Helped

Herbert learned of the **Donated Dental Services Program (DDS)** and was linked with two generous volunteers:

- Dr. Megan Finkbine donated extractions, a full upper denture, and a lower cast metal partial.
- Glidewell Laboratories fabricated the denture and partial.



Dr. Megan Finkbine and Herbert

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He [my father] is a minister and he hadn't been speaking much because of the problems with his teeth. He started speaking a lot more [after treatment]. It was wonderful. We're just glad that he's happy.

—Daughter of Herbert, DDS patient”

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I think it is such a rewarding experience. A lot of times in volunteer work we do things because we think we're giving to our patients but I have found in our volunteerism I end up receiving so much back from the patients that it is so incredibly rewarding. They're a blessing to me.

—Dr. Megan Finkbine, DDS Volunteer”

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Dental School Graduate Honored

Dental Lifeline Network partners with dental schools through the Brian D. Stone Memorial Award to recognize graduating students who are committed to volunteerism or to helping people with special needs. At the James. B. Edwards College of Dental Medicine, Medical University of South Carolina the 2017 recipient was Dr. Jonathan Frymly pictured below with Dr. Michelle Ziegler.



South Carolina Donated Dental Services (DDS) is a program of Dental Lifeline Network, a national humanitarian organization and charitable affiliate of the ADA, providing access to comprehensive dental care for people with disabilities or who are elderly or medically fragile and have no other way to get help. Nationally, more than 15,000 dentists and 3,500 laboratories volunteer for DDS.

South Carolina Donated Dental Services (DDS)

DDS is a Program of Dental Lifeline Network • South Carolina
and the South Carolina Dental Association

Fiscal Year 2016-2017

Patient Treatment



Financial



Since South Carolina Program Inception (2012)



¹ Average does not include treatment from DDS volunteer dentists who provided patients with initial restorative treatment and have elected to continue providing routine and ongoing care.
² Value also included in Value of Care to Patients Treated.

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